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March 20, 2015

Sent via E-Mail

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim, Senator  
and President of the Senate  
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kim:

Please find, attached, a copy of Resolution 112-15, which was adopted by the Council of the County of Hawai'i on March 18, 2015.

Sincerely,

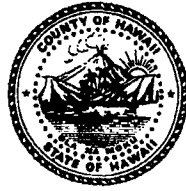
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Stewart Maeda  
County Clerk  
County of Hawai'i

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Attachment

COUNTY OF HAWAI'I



STATE OF HAWAI'I

RESOLUTION NO. 112 15

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAI'I STATE LEGISLATURE TO PASS SENATE BILL NO. 1344 AND HOUSE BILL NO. 1491, RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING.**

**WHEREAS**, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, Section 11-301, states that the purpose of the State's campaign finance laws "is to provide transparency in the campaign finance process. Any ambiguity in the provisions of this part shall be construed to support transparency"; and

**WHEREAS**, State law requires each contributor who has contributed an aggregate amount of more than \$100 to a noncandidate committee since the last election to disclose that contributor's name, address, employer and occupation; and

**WHEREAS**, during the 2014 election cycle, contributions of approximately \$8 million were received by 29 noncandidate committees making independent expenditures ("SuperPACs"); and

**WHEREAS**, during the 2014 election cycle, numerous SuperPACs reported donations from other SuperPACs, but did not disclose the source of the funds, leaving voters unaware of the origin and intent of the contributors; and

**WHEREAS**, additional reporting requirements for SuperPACs as provided in Senate Bill No. 1344 and House Bill No. 1491 will increase transparency and accountability; deter corruption; and strengthen confidence in the election process by informing the public about the true source of campaign contributions made to SuperPACs; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I** that the Hawai'i State Legislature is urged to pass Senate Bill No. 1344 and House Bill No. 1491.

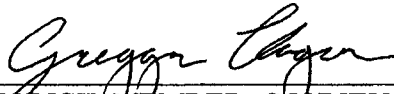
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Council supports increased transparency and accountability in the electoral process regarding the funding sources for SuperPACs.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Council opposes any amendment to undermine the original intent of Senate Bill No. 1344 and House Bill No. 1491.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the County Clerk shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the Honorable Senate President Donna Mercado Kim; the Honorable House Speaker Joseph M. Souki; the Honorable Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran; and the Honorable Representative Karl Rhoads.

Dated at Kona, Hawai'i, this 18th day of March, 2015.

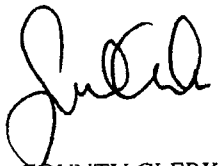
INTRODUCED BY:

  
COUNCIL MEMBER, COUNTY OF HAWAI'I

COUNTY COUNCIL  
County of Hawai'i  
Hilo, Hawai'i

I hereby certify that the foregoing RESOLUTION was by the vote indicated to the right hereof adopted by the COUNCIL of the County of Hawai'i on March 18, 2015.

ATTEST:



COUNTY CLERK



CHAIRPERSON & PRESIDING OFFICER

ROLL CALL VOTE

	AYES	NOES	ABS	EX
CHUNG	X			
DAVID	X			
EOFF	X			
ILAGAN	X			
KANUHA	X			
ONISHI		X		
PALEKA	X			
POINDEXTER	X			
WILLE	X			
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Reference: C-178/Waived GREDC

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